AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-5 (Cancelled)

Claim 6 (Currently Amended)

A contents reproduction method for reproducing contentcontents data containing a plurality of resources by using license data corresponding to the
contents data, wherein, the contents reproduction method comprising:

a step of obtaining the content data, the content data including a plurality of resources,
cach resource of the plurality of resources including the plurality of resources each comprise at
least one a respective main resource-including a main part of contents, and including a plurality
of a respective sub resource, and each respective sub resource being data that is resources
including related information associated with the respective main resource and that is a different
entity from that of the respective main resource part, and;

a step of obtaining license information for the content data, the license information being required for reproducing each main resource and each sub resource;

a step of reproducing one main resource and one sub resource; and

a step of (i) prohibiting, during said reproduction of the one main resource, a start of reproducing a resource that is different from the one main resource being reproduced and that requires the license information for reproduction thereof, and (ii) permitting, during said reproduction of the one sub resource, a start of reproducing a resource that is different from the one sub resource being reproduced and that requires the license information for reproduction thereof-license management device, which manages license data, is caused to lock license data corresponding to contents data to be reproduced, only when starting a reproduction of the main

resource.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended) The contents reproduction method according to claim 6, wherein; only when terminating a reproduction of the main resource, the license management device is caused to release a lock of license data corresponding to the contents data to be reproduced, and to update use situation information within license data

the license information includes use state information indicating a use state of the one main resource; and

the contents reproduction method further comprises:

a step of updating the license information to reflect said reproduction of the one main resource in the use state information included therein, the license information being updated when said reproduction of the one main resource is finished; and

a step of permitting, after said updating, the start of reproducing the resource that has been prohibited by said prohibiting.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended) A contents reproduction device for reproducing contents contents data, the contents reproduction device comprising: containing a plurality of resources by using license data corresponding to the contents data, wherein

a contents storing unit that stores the content data that includes a plurality of resources,

each resource of the plurality of resources including the plurality of resources each comprise at

least one a respective main resource and including a respective sub resource, each respective sub

resource being data that is associated with the respective main resource and that is a different

entity from that of the respective main resource; including a main part of contents, and a plurality of sub resources including related information associated with the main part, the contents reproduction device comprising:

a license storing unit management section operable to that stores license information for the content data, the license information being required for reproducing each main resource and each sub resource; manage license data; and

a reproducing unit that reproduces one main resource and one sub resource; and

a license managing unit that (i) prohibits, during the reproduction of the one main resource by the reproducing unit, a start of reproducing a resource that is different from the one main resource being reproduced and that requires the license information for reproduction thereof, and (ii) permits, during the reproduction of the one sub resource by the reproducing unit, a start of reproducing a resource that is different from the one sub resource being reproduced and that requires the license information for reproduction thereof

a license lock section operable to cause the license management means to lock license data corresponding to contents data to be reproduced, only when a computer starts a reproduction of the main resource.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended) The contents reproduction device according to claim 8, wherein:

the license information includes use state information indicating a use state of the content data; and

the license managing unit (i) updates the license information to reflect the reproduction

of the one main resource in the use state information when the reproduction of the one main resource is finished, and (ii) permits, after the updating of the license information, the start of reproducing the resource that has been prohibited by the license managing unit further comprising, only when terminating a reproduction of the main resource, a license lock releasing section operable to notify the license management section that the reproduction of the main resource is terminated, and causing the license management section to release a lock of license data corresponding to the contents data to be reproduced, and to update use situation information within license data.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended) The contents reproduction device according to claim 8, wherein:

each main resource includes a motion picture; and

each sub resource includes a still picture and does not includes a motion picture-further-comprising a plurality of resource reproduction sections for reproducing each of the resources.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended) The contents reproduction device according to claim 10, wherein:

each respective the plurality of sub resource includes a plurality of still pictures that are associated with the respective main resource and that have been resources are encrypted;

the plurality of resource reproduction sections each include:

a main resource reproduction section operable to reproduce the main resource;

and

a sub resource reproduction section operable to reproduce the sub resource,
the sub resource reproduction section includes:
the contents reproduction device further comprises:

a decryption unit section that decrypts operable to decrypt the plurality of still pictures sub resources collectively to generate a plurality of decrypted still pictures; and a cache unit section operable to temporarily store that stores the plurality of decrypted still pictures a sub resource which is decrypted by the decryption section; and

the reproducing unit, when reproducing a decoding section operable to reproduce the one sub resource, reads one or more still pictures from the plurality of decrypted still pictures stored in the cache unit and reproduces the read one or more still pictures by using the decrypted sub-resource, which is stored in the caches section.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended) The contents reproduction device according to claim 11, wherein-at least the decryption unit section is tamper resistant

Claim 13 (Currently Amended) The contents reproduction device according to claim 11, wherein:

the plurality of <u>still pictures are sub resources are</u> collectively <u>further</u> compressed, and <u>the plurality of collectively compressed still pictures are encrypted; and</u>

the decryption <u>unit-section</u> decrypts the plurality of <u>encrypted still pictures collectively to</u>

<u>obtain the plurality of collectively compressed still pictures, and sub resources, extracts the</u>

<u>plurality of decrypted still pictures from the plurality of compressed still pictures compressed</u>

sub resources, and temporarily stores the extracted and encrypted sub resources in the caches section.

Claim 14 (New) The contents reproduction apparatus according to claim 8, wherein:

the license information includes use state information indicating a use state of the content data;

the license managing unit updates the use state information based on a reproduction of each resource; and

when updating the use state information based on the reproduction of each resource, the license managing unit does not update the use state information to reflect the reproduction of the sub resource.